

en = Ann Blunt - widow
- 8. Sussex Co. Co. M. B.

Blunt
Ann B the
daughter of Joseph
Gray of S. H.
1769.
V. P. 335

Ann

1784
5-12
Soh
G. B. 7.
Henry, Joe, Tho, Edmund, & Ann Blunt under
21 by Joe Gray nt sd, hills Godwin & W. Sarah
Saml. Edmund & W. Sarah 12.
Edwin Gray, with Tho & hills Godwin T. for
Ann B. 2 of Tho. Blunt, Rich Blunt & Ann
his wife wh sd Ann was widow of sd Tho.
Blunt.

Soh
Ann Blunt.
Benj - (of John)
John D. Maclean. Elias Atkinson - 1-10-1804.
W. B. 5 - 456.
app. 7-10-1804 - by Saml. Edmund Rich & Benj Blunt.
G. W. B. 5 - 518.

ANCESTRY OF

Ann M. H. Wright
Mary
William

BORN _____

B _____

1 William Blunt
Will 3 June 1787
Southampton Co

D _____

B _____

3

D _____

M _____

B _____

4

D _____

Rebekah Blunt

MAR _____

DIED _____

B _____

5

D _____

B _____

MARRIED _____

2 Mary

M _____

D _____

B _____

6

D _____

TO Littlebury Tlason

Benjamin

Soh

Geo. Blunt - into my father Benj. Blunt, the plat.
whereon I formerly lived - T. Benj Ex 12-2-1794.
Lain Blunt, Am Blw. 2-12-1795-
Ben. Edw. W. B 4-673

Soh

Elyakthi Edwad - called Benj Blunt Bro. 1782.
W. B 3-384.

W. B 1-14

ap ed of Benj. Blunt by Jas, Sr + D, + Seniors
Turner 1753 - Pusilla Blunt ex. 649-0-5-

Benj. Blunt of So hard - to dau Ann Pette,
gr - son Benj. Wm. Blunt, son Rich, son
Benj B. the T I purchased of Micajah
Pope also of Howell Rayhan + Clarke
Kinched. - of Mues Johnson - wife Frances
land I purchased of Howell Edmunds.
Son Rich. B. to gr. dau Frances Buggi
Lucas fide Saml. Edmund + son Rich
+ Benj Ex. Jan 21, 1803

Ann Blunt

Ben + (als?) John

S. H.

John D. Maclean

Chas Atkinson. W. B 5-457.

Saml Daves 1 of 10 to Benj Blunt. Aug 3 - 1750

given by will of his father Saml Daves 263-

Abelton Smith, Edw W. Blunt Aug - 1750

Swamy D B - 177

W.B4 -

783.

Joh

Benjamin Edwards - to my nephew Benj Blunt.
Remains to be equally div. bet my two son Edw child
+ Richard Edwards child, my sisters Eliza & Edmund
children + Ann Blunt's children. Bro: am edw +

Rich Edw. Exs 12-17-1790

Rich Blunt - John T. Blunt + Ann Blunt Re May 15-1797

Blunt.

Benjamin + Priscilla
Blunt to Tho Javell Jr.
part of a pat. grate
Thomas Blunt died 12-23-1733

D.B4-280

504

Beng. Blunt - dau Ann Kate, q son Beng. Wm. Blunt,
son Rich, son Beng to wife Frances to q dau
Frances Buiza Lucas - fd. Saml Edmunds, +
sons, Rich + Beng Blunts. Exs. 1-31-1803.

Blunt - Beng son Wm plantation where
I now live 200 a. also 265 a bought of Saml.
Davis, also pt of land on so side of Powell
Ch bought of Beng. Clifton son John
Plat bought of John Chapman called
Dees's. 240 a - son Beng land in N.C.
If my wife shall hereafter have into me a
male child - my wife agrees to
be divided among all my children then
born to come 21. Mother Henry Blunt
+ Henry Thomas, and John Percen Jr
+ John Percen Jr. to make division. wife Exs
1750
John Percen Jr.
Edw. Wadham. Presalle B. Ex.
Chas. Foster
alex. Watson. May 14 - 1752
S. H. - W. B. 1 - 81

✓

M.P.

208

Benjamin Blunt - Maryt Keller
Sec. Mrs. Ridley 4-2-1811

16-265-

Ben Blunt for hat 10 af to room
Ben. E. Blunt. + \$ on N.S. Platsau
5th - 530 ady'et of David Thomas
Joel Hig Semore + Allen Jones
Ann Mahone, Willie Jones, John Blunt
4-16-1819

Feb 12, 1818 - Let Priscilla S. Day
of the one pt + Benj B^{sr} of the other,
Consideration \$5002. - pd by Benj B. Sr.
parcel of land lying in Co. of So. h.
containing by est. according to a law
th. was made let David Day + the
rd Priscilla then his wife, Henry
Blunt + Rich. Blunt 11672. it being
the land which was allotted to the
rd Priscilla as one of the distributees
of the land of which her father John
B. died poss in the rd Co of So H.

J. B Cowthall (?) ✓

Meat Jordan

Jas. Albion

me

June 15, 1818.

B 16-36.
Southampton.

Henry Blunt - of Soh. - to my nep.
 Henry Day 300 £ to school + educate
 him. to Polly Singleton white, to Jesse
 Cooper son of Susanna Cooper, to my
 nephew Benj Edw Blunt, to Henry Ridley
 Blunt son of Anne Delong to Joel
 Guzzard, son of Phoebe Guzzard, to
 two Benj Blunt - to Benj Ex.
 Ephraim Gre 4-10-1808
 Edmund Turner Jr. 10-18-1813
 Cordell Francis W.B. 7-309.
 Jarell Turner.

Henry

Southampton

Bk. B. 192

6-57

411. 3-3-1743 to Henry Blunt of 5200 + Henry
 Cook of B - 15 £ - on So. S. Fountain ch -
 1802 = 7-5-1149
 Geo Wyche, John Turner, Rtt clerk Sir

Rott Carter of 1 of w + Henry Blunt
 of sd Co. - 5 sh. - 1962 - the pat got
 sd Rott. Oct 13-1727 - on John Vick -
 + Rott newcome land
 no. w. l. Rott Carter
 Oliver ✓

17w. B 26-397.

James

James Blunt to John Rose - 7 head of cattle
formerly belonging to Francis Smyth - now in
posse of sd Rose. May 1673.

Nicholas Smyth
John Marshall

2 of W. + DBI pg. 288

Blunt - James in the Co by 1673,

W + DBI 288 -

Joseph Badger states he has sold land to
Wm Blunt in his will 1683.

W + DB 2 - 250
also leased land to X Thomas Wade
1683.

land on which m. Izard Guld Phillips

John

1803

Rich. - 863a -
" 170a -

John Blunt of Ben. - 70a 1803
Henry Blunt 700a.
Rich. Blunt of John 822a,

John Blunts at 1802. 1200. 80 114
" " " " 234 450
" " " " 200

John Blunt. 1801- 1200
" " " 234
" " " 450
" " " 200
" " " 70
" " " 114

2368
1157

1211
822.

389

504

Oct. 20 - 1812. Lt. John Blunt of the Co of
Sohampton & Wm Hart of Co apd. 70 1/4 a. being a
parcel of land allotted to John Blunt by Com appt
by H. Ct of Chancery in Rich. to dw. the land of
Bery. Edwards deceased - according to his last will, &c.
Jas Trezant. Collin Kilchen
Jas. Rockell. P. B. 13. P. - 139

504

2nd & app of John Blunt died ^{Taken.} Dec 13 - 1802.
£3573 " 1500 ordered 7 - 1802
app Wm Blunt, Hewitt Harves, Allen Jones.
2-16-1805 - Bery & Henry Blunt adm.
Rec. 2-18-1805 -
W B 6 - 13.

504

acct cur. signed by Robt Mabey, Saml. Blunt
Wm Blunt. 1805 - W B 6 - 62.

499 - 599

123. John Blunt - guard - Rich Edwards - 1760
Brens. G. and

Sch

3-30-1813- Lt. John Blunt + Bery Blunt Sr.
Hampson - to Joel Weethooke. T or ael
60 a (no information)

Burwell Weethooke David Weethooke Bery E. Blunt.
D B 14-280.

Sch

W. B. B. -

. 936

John Blunt - Mary dau of Jas Ridley 1781
4339.

Jane Blunt 10-29-1778 - dau Dolly B
my mother-in-law. Anne Green - riding
chair. to my chd. Tho, Collin, Rich +
Dolly. my mo. Wm Nicholson ex + son Tho.

John Blunt

1-18-1779

Tho

Sus. W. B. C - 318.

Nov 6. 1766 - Lt John B + B & Rich B of
Serc. - asd J B lent is now in posn of an Est
in Brunswick + is entitled by his decd father will
to all or grt pt of his br. Bery B. Est in case
rd Bery. shall die with issue + under age - will
receded in Surg W. - for B & C. money.
Sherly Edmunds Nicholas Edmunds.

John Throel -

Nov 7 - 1766

Thos

← Brunswick W. D. B 6 - 428 -

To pd John Blunt under the act of
Jas Bates. - 1753
Sof W. B 6 - 65 -

Math Ridley leaves a
bequest to Henry Blunt son
of John Blunt Sr. 1795 -
Sof W B 4 - 688.

554

John Blunt for love + affection to son Benjamin
all that Tr of land known by the name of Godwens
450 a on the flat swamps adj. Henry Tho. Road.
the sd Rep. Blunt + Geo Lacey. 3-6-1802
w. J. Berry + Henry Blunt.
John Russell A. D B 9-622

554

John Blunt of Southampton to son Rich. all my money
+ goods now in the mercantile business
Henry Smith Henry Hayley. D of G.
Tho. Russell apr. 15-1799
D B 9-36.

R. H. GILL Insurance

FIRE - AUTOMOBILE - LIFE
PHONE 158 - SMITHFIELD, VA.

J. of W. O B. 1834-38 p 9-201
4 day April-1836-
Vincent C. Blunt orphan of John Blunt decd
made choice of Claiborne Booth for
his gdt and the court do app^t
the Booth gdt for James Irish Blunt
and Mary Francis Blunt infant orphans
of sd decd, and with Saml Thomas
his security who justified as to their
sufficiency signed and delivered a
bond in the penalty of \$8000,
conditioned as the law directs.

Mary

MARY FLOOD BLUNT FORD WASHINGTON

By Miniie G. Cook and Blanche Adams Chapman

Was this muchly-married Mary the daughter of Colonel John Flood and his second wife, Fortune Jordan ? The following cumulative evidence seems to establish her as the eldest child of this couple:

The earliest actual record we have as to her identity, is the settlement by arbitration, 19th of November, 1656 (recorded 20th November, 1656) of the estate of Richard Blunt, "between Capt. George Jordan, attorney of James Jauncey, Merchant, whoe is attorney of Mr. Thomas Marsh administrator of Mr. Thomas Jauncey, decd. and Mary Blunt relict of Richard Blunt decd.", the award being "(for the final end and determination of all differences whatsoever that have, may or shall herein after appear)", that Capt. George Jordan aforesaid: Bee forthwith possessed of all the estate which did belong to the said Richard Blunt in Virginia, which now can be found and to be delivered up by the said Mary upon her oath, the said Capt. Jordan out of ye same to deliver up unto her forthwith two cows, two heiffers two years old, one maid servant, sic barreles of Indian corn, her bed, as it is furnished, her wearing cloathes, linen and what properly belongs to herself, with seven hundred pds of tobacco and caske and her poultry and turkeys unto the said Marye this present year, vizt. before the said January next ensueing and to pay or cause to be paid unto the said Mary or her heirs, executors or administrators or assigns out of the cropp next ensueing the some of five thousand pds. of tobacco and caske conveniently in Surry County, to be both good and sound and merchantable and that the said Capt. Jordan defend, preserve and save harmless from all and all manner of debts, engagements and obligations, which the said Richard Blunt stood indebted, engaged or obliged either in Virginia or elsewhere and what engagements

she hath made since her said husband's decease, which hath been for the providing necessaryes for familye, Witness our hands dated this 19 9ber, 1656.

Memo.- that we aforesaid arbitrators doe find the whole estate of Richard Blunt decd., which he died possessed of properly to belong to Thomas Jauncey decd, the said Jauncey having dispursed about four hundred pounds sterling upon that designe of (illegible) and what is awarded the said relict of Richard Blunt decd, is done by ye concent of ye said Capt. Jordan out of charitye and freelye towards her maintenance, having had that relation to the said Blunt and that latter payment above mentioned is likewise to be satisfied out of the estate that shall be sould by the saide Capt. Jordan, but by him to be paid unto her.

19 9ber, 1656

Wit. Thomas Swann, Wm. Butler, Ben Sidway, Wm. Edwards
Recorded, 29th 9ber, 1656". (Surry Bk. 1, p. 91)

First, it should be noted that as "attorney" for James Jauncey, Jordan was not acting as a lawyer, but merely under power of attorney - the capacity in which said Jauncey was acting for the administrator, Marsh, with power to legally transact business in the place of the administrator of Thomas Jauncey's estate.

Secondly, the text makes it clear that James Jauncey, as a merchant to and from Virginia (as indicated by his having to appoint a power of attorney to act for him), was representing non-residents of Virginia in the persons of the administrator and the deceased Thomas Jauncey.

Thirdly, since there is not the slightest intimation of fraud on the part of Richard Blunt in possessing himself of an estate that all parties agree to as by right belonging to the deceased Jauncey, it is a clear case joint tenancy with right of survivorship, common in Vir-

ginia at this time, often between Virginians and non-residents. A good illustration is furnished in the case between Robert Beverley and the estate of Colonel John Pate, wherein the Court decided, "Whereas there was a Pattent granted to Mr. John Pate and Capt. Robt. Beverley for Six Thousand Acres of Land, and it being now in Dispute This Court are of Opinion that the Right of the Land Doth belong to the Said Capt. Beverley by Reason there was A Joynt tenancey Between them, and for the Said Capt. Beverley is the Survivor notwithstanding the writeing Past to Mr. Pate in his Life time by he said Capt. Beverley". (minutes of the Council and General Court, 386.)

In the Blunt-Jauncey case, it would seem that Thomas Jauncey had predeceased Richard Blunt whereupon the latter had retained possession of the land. However, another factor was involved - namely, that Jauncey had spent four hundred pounds sterling - quite a fortune for that day - in the "designe" in the way of improvements, "peopling" &c - that is, had undoubtedly supplied the servants for operating the plantation and in other ways financed the project; and it was upon this ground that the adjusters turned the property back to the Thomas Jauncey estate, with the exceptions noted in the document.

The phrase, "and what properly belongs to herself", has led some to suppose this referred to property Mary had inherited from either her father or from a former husband. But this deduction is negatived by the very positive assertion in the "Memo" that what was allowed her "is done by the consent of ye said Capt Jordan Out of charitye" in other words, it was property to which she had no legal claim in the case.

Another thing - the usual expression when referring to property belonging to a person was merely what "belonged to him" or "belonged to her".

Here, the phraseology is, "her wearing cloathes, linen and what properly belongs to herself" - that is, such things as pertain to her person - not property in general, ~~this~~ being covered in detail and carefully itemized.

There was a special reason for particularizing as to Mary Blunt's "cloathing", linen and all that pertained to her person, at this time, for she either had very recently given birth to Richard Blunt's only child, or she was just about to give birth to said child. For in a deed dated March 5, 1677/78, Thomas Blunt, said son, stated that at his father's decease, he, Thomas, "was of tender age and one Richard Harris entered into the same (tract of land) and did indirectly hold the same until November last past and ye said Thomas Blunt being come of full age, did make hunble suit unto ye Court of ye said County . . . was by judgment of ye said Court put in immediate possession of his lawful inheritance . . ." Dated and recorded March 5, 1677. Thomas' mother, Mary, now wife of her fourth husband, Henry Briggs, together with her husband, relinquised all right and claim to this property which ~~Thomas~~ deeded to Thomas Drew. Witnessed by George Jordan and Arthur Allen. (Surry Bk. 2, p. 168)

This is the last record we have of Mary as being still alive.

If, as the above record implies, Thomas Blunt came of age in November 1677, it placed his birth in November, 1656 - the very month in which she was allowed her "linen, and what properly belongs to herself"; and places Mary's marriage as probably 1655.

Apparently, George Jordan had been given power of attorney by James Jauncey prior to the death of Richard Blunt, for the recovery of the joint property of Blunt and Thomas Jauncey. (Nothing further is known of this Thomas Jauncey; nor of James Jauncey except that in May, 1672,

For the conservation of water, there was left on a table in the back porch, an extra bucket, and the water left in the gourd from drinking was poured in that bucket to be used in the bedrooms for face and hand washing. In good weather the large family wash was taken to the creek bank where there was a plenty of water. A large iron pot was installed for boiling the clothes and a wood fire built under it to heat water for washing, and to boil the clothes.

The houses were heated by open fires (wood) in every room. Cutting all that wood from the forest, hauling it to the wood-pile and then getting it out in lengths and sizes for use was a mammoth job and was being worked on throughout the entire summer and of course through the winter too. The same boys who carried water and got ice in summer kept stacks of cut-up wood piled on the back porch ready for use in winter.

All of the food except sugar, tea and coffee which was consumed on the table and by the slaves was produced on the farm and even the cloth that was made into clothes for them was made there. Tobacco, corn and wheat were the principal money crops.

There were large flocks of sheep, from which the wool was obtained, cotton, flax and hemp were grown in the fields. All these raw materials had to be prepared and woven into cloth. Numerous slaves were trained in different lines and each performed his or her separate duties and tasks. There were no cotton gins in the country in those days. The cotton had to be gathered from the beautiful white bolls as they would open up in the fields and the seeds picked from it by hand, the wool sheared from the sheep, every spring, washed and that and the cotton and other raw materials carded, spun, hawked and dyed and then put into the big looms and woven into cloth, counterpane and other things. They were often woven into the most beautiful designs and figures. The flax was made into linen after going through all the various processes of preparation, the sheerness and beautiful quality of much of it was astounding for home made productions. The hemp made a coarse^r/cloth.

Priscilla

#3-59.

Survey

Est of River Jordan at Ly Priscilla

Blunt

- 5-16-1711

I hereby notify that you
have my permission to
grant David Day a marriage
license to marry my
daughter Priscilla Blunt
To the Clerk John Blunt
of Southampton

..... 16 Oct 1790
David Day & Priscilla Hunt
.....

Witnesses
Lt Mo. Burgess

David Day
Jello

Mar: 25, 1734 Arthur Sherrard + Elizabeth
his wife to Rich. Blunt 6 £. - leg
at the mouth of a small hatch where Tho.
Sherrard did live + up the sd hatch to
John Butts line, - 100 a

Tho. Sanner, from Blunt
wm Jones.

D B 4-331.

Richard

Blunt

This bill beareth us Edward
Cott + w^m Balding jointly
+ severally own heirs +
executors to pay unto the
justices of ye I q w or
their successors for the
use of ye orphan of
Rich. Blunt deceased ye full
+ just sum of 420 l^{rs}. of
good l^{rs}. in cash to be
pd — on demand — 1688.

Tho. Moore Edw. Cott
Geo. Greene w^m Balding

I John Sanner did — take
of this bill to my coz. Suer?
(Saml) Blunt.

D B I - 158

19- 9th 1686 Mary of
Richard Blunt to have
certain property of her dead
husband out of a bill belonging
to Tho. Sanner who had
advanced money on it.
Surrey B 1-17

Richard Blunt Sr
to Richard Jr. for love
+ affection last I
bought of Rich. Thomas
called the yoke.

1742

I q w.

D B 6-123

I 7 w

Died 4-17-1747 - 62
All. Par. Reg.

Rich. Blunt + Anne his wife Nov 18-1731
Dan Eliza All. Par. P. 15-

one + affidavit to
- 120 I purchased
- one negro boy
still.
June 8, 1743 (?)
c. 6-28-1743 (?)
110

Rich (P.) Blunt an app of John Scurie Esq.
of W. B. 3-268. 1731

Ann the wife of Richard Blunt the
son of Richard Blunt
Died Burh?

account of the estate of
d sold at outcry by
J - John Russell
+ Rich. Daggett
deeds Rich. Bennett
are Thos Howell Edw
m Smith, St. Col.
June 4, 1688

Sueann Blunt - motion agt. Ann Baldwin
make pay of his bill of 5205 of both sides
- to ye Orphan of Rich B. ye sd Bal-
+ Edw. Crtt say jointly bond in ye sd
bill.

D. B. I - 87 - 6 B.

W. B. 2 - 293

Rich. Blunt a witness
will of Thos. Blake
1709. W. B. 2 - 501.

Blunt

Rich. B of Edgecomb in
N.C. of the 1st B + um
B A 29 w. 110a wh.
and was given sd Rich B.
by Rich B. Sr. Dsd A gift.
called the "Pork".

11-13-1746

D. B 7-373.

Blunt

See ~~D~~ B 4 for
sale of Richard Blunt
from Arthur Elizabeth
Shepard 1733

D B 4-331

4-15-1729.

Rich. Blunt of Sea Par to sister Ann wife
of Edmund Dalg of L Geo. Co - 110 a
on S S Bl w - on wh sd Blunt men here
part of a gift for 510 a. - given into

4-1701.

(Brother of Tho Blunt)
1715-30-1777)

1730-38-5-

Look up.

John Giles + Philonotis of the lower par of
1 sh of wight to Alex. Webster, Rich. Blunt + John
Eward of the up par of 2 of w planters a 100 a
of land in the up par of sd w only wms were
Thos. Blake + Tho. Woodward 11-9-1682

? B I - 492

U P 431

Mary 28 dau. Rich Blunt & wife Anne. 3-25-1727.
allc. Par. leg.

Est of Rich Blunt sold & outlay June 11, 1685
W + N B 2 pg 293.

I Rich Blunt ^{senior} do promise to pay to John B of
B of Buss. or to his ex. 30 £ cent Mary annually
during the term of his nat life
B. C. D B 8 - 432. 1-26-1767.
Brennock Co.

Rich Blunt.
Rich Blunt Sr. of Par of Newport & Rich Blunt Jr
of Par & Co apd. for natural love & affection
110 a purchased of Rich Thomas - commonly
called by the name the forks & joining
on land of Chas. Stephens & Geo Stephens
& the land lately purchased by Al. Raccoon
by Andrew Giles. Rec. 7-26-1742
Rich Blunt gift to son R.
Thos. Woodley, w m cucker
Ambrose Hobley
A
J of W. N B 6 - 123

and died 4-13-1774. He was m
t. 1-4-1739. alt. Par.
w + m. 14-5-

Bleunt of Potomac - for
y sister Ann Laby, wife of
Laby of P. Geo Co. - 510 a
edge 4-15-1730. - P. 27.
every 1730-38

Bleunt

John Bleunt - planter do with my
free + voluntary will grant to my
cousin Richard Bleunt & his heirs
lawfully begotten - my title to
the house & land which Rich B Sr.
did possessed with, for ye whole
time that ye sd Richard B Sr had
in it by virtue of a lease for
99 yrs granted by M. John Giles
to me. — to next kin.

11-26-1690

D. B I - 267

D of W.

appears first on land
1187a. in Parish of

John 822a.

99. 1803.

Elizabeth Day - 300.

Down Day 81st Sunday

Robt Blunt 263a.

~~John Blunt of New~~

Rich. Blunt of Sees. Co. 1-29-1774
wife Jane, son Colin (-lands in
Sees.) Son Thomas had in Sees.
small pt of Indian Island in Sees. Co.
Purchased of Ben. Ellis - if ed Thomas
die without issue to son Rich. son Glen
Sees. Co. T. - Galloway T. in Sees.
In yr. 1766 brother John B. made me a
Deed for greatest pt of his est. - discharge
him in Brunswick Court. I paid 1 poundal
of Rich. Coper. after dec. of Bro John the
500 L. to be divided amongst all my four
children, Tho, Colin, Rich & Dolly
Tho. under 21. Friends Wm Blunt, Wm
Nicholson, Michael Rich - ^{son} Tho. B. &
Pelway Johnson W B C.
Wm Bells. p. 123.
John Blunt
Mark Nicholson. Sees. Co.

Rich. Blunt Survey

1738-54-555-

Mame 4-12-1747 - 6-16-1747

Gent

Son Rich under

✓ John ✓

✓ Berg ✓

Rich. Edmunds land in

Sh of single

Mary Doby - John Doby

Elija, Lucy

wt Coy w/ Blunt land take
up let w/ father & herself

w/ am ex

Robt Nicholson

w/ am Crouse

Berg Ellis

I, Margaret Briggs of ye upper parish of
Isle of Wight, widow, to my gr-daughter Ruth
Brown to be paid to my some-in-law
Wm. Brown father of the sd Ruth. I give
the balance of my estate to be equally divided
between my son and dau Josias Wood
and Margaret Wood. Joseph Forde
Executor. Dated Nov. 16, 1682
Recd Dec. 9, 1682.
Wid.

Wm. Browne
Ruth. Canfield

W + D. B. 2 - 232

Ann Davis sworn & examined saith
she heard Patrick Braddy say he had paid
Wm Browne Tobacco due Mary Browne his daughter
as ye gift of Margaret, his wife, further sayth
y^t she heard Wm Brown say he had received
it of ye said Patrick in right of his sd daughter
the 1709.

The Thropps aged 57 of Threatants - saith
he married Mary Executrix of Joseph Ford
did among other paper belonging to sd Ford find
a receipt for 1500 lb. s^t Tob. under ye hand of
Wm Browne late of this County dead. being a
legacy given by Josiah Wood to Mary Browne
now Mary Thropp.
Wt. Denny Baker
Ruth. Canfield.
aug 1, 1709
W + D. B. 2 - 497. (over)

The estate of Wm. Browne is D'n to
Richard Blunt adm. + judgements obtained.

Judgements -

=

5100

The estate of Wm Brown - to Richard Blunt administrator
for funeral charges + other disbursements.

to 4 gals of rum, sugar 375-

to digging ye grave 50

to Mr. Sharp for ye funeral sermon 400

to Tot received of Patrick Braddy
for ye use of his dau. Mary by deed
of gift from Margaret Wood.

to Tot. received of Joseph Ford ex.
of Mary Buggy as a legacy Rich.
deced. sister of ye sd Mary Blunt.

The legacy given by Josias Wood
to Mary Browne aka Blunt received
by Wm Browne.

to moving his child

Total appraised 13875-

Richard Blunt as managing ye dau
of sd Browne.

Isle of Wight - W + D. B. 2 - page 498.

Samuel

Saw. Baker - at it for renewing a judg
d agt est of Rich. Bleunt dead in hands of
P. Jordan adm of est of Rich B - 5-16-1662
in declaring that he hath nothing left in his
of ye sd Bleunt personal est but a T. of land
renewed - 5-7-1672.

Serony 1744-49

1747 Rich. Bleunt dead - pres by Ann Bleunt widow,
313. proved by Robt Hickson, Wm Brown & Benj. Ellis.
~~1747~~ ap in Surry. Edmund Cuffen, Willott Roberts,
Wm Briggs & Benj. Ellis
ap in Breunswick - Clement Reade, Jas. Parsh,
John Ingram & Walter Campbell.
as 2m. 2 of W - Jos. Ridley, Kennel Edmunds,

Ok 1-91. We whose names are signed chosen arbitrators bet
Capt Geo Jordan ally of Jas. Jauncy Merch who is
ally of Mr. Tho. Marsh adm of Mr. Tho. Jauncy dead &
Mary Bleunt R. of Rich. Bleunt dead - ~~the~~
est delivered by sd Mary upon her oath - at Jordan
to pay her debts - cattle &c + whatever property
belongs to herself. 14 of 9th 1656 -
Signed Tho. Swann, Wm Butler, Ben Sidway
Wm Edwards. 20 of 9th 1656.

103.
Sth
G.B.9.

Rich. Blunt, Davis Day + Pris his wife formerly
Pris Blunt. Beg Blunt + Henry Blunt and
Beg Blunt Sr. + Henry Blunt eds of John Blunt
decd. - est of John Blunt decd -

8-216.

in ref to

Mar. agreement bet Saml Blunt of
Co of Sussex + Eliza Lucas of Soth
negro given her by S. W + T. of John
Lucas her former husband. 3-2-1792
w. Geo + Rich Blunt, Will Nicholson.

M.P.
639

John Lucas = Betsey Blunt.
4-17-1786. Mar. ret.

11-71

John Lucas left no will in Soth.

6-659

Do of Inland
Jas Irwin - to Mrs Eliza Blunt
wife of Dr. Saml Blunt etc. Saml Blunt ex
5-22-1809 = 7-17-1809

38-625-

no Moody
f

1-38 Wilson Holloman =
Elyza Moody. Ancest^{only} 1-15-1784
Ancest of John Andrews

628. Sec. Capt. Saml. Kell
Mar Band on file but undated - sec. 50 Holloman.

1-79 Saml Blunt = Elyza Lucas
Sec. Geo Blunt. Willis Woodley
2. 29-1792.

8.	15.3.	3-67
9	5-90	8-216
11	158-353	12-66.
13	199-201	
14	9.	
20	61	
23	47-337-671	

1677

77
21
56

Collected to
Smith 1680

Thomas

Blunt ye only son of Rich. Blunt died + 7th
ye son of Rich. Brew - - sd Tho being come
Page, etc O. S.

as Jordan as. Allen. 3-5-1677

- Henry Briggs + Mary my wife for
line specified - - do make as all right etc to
Tho Brew O. S.

4-188 Mr. Henry Briggs - Tho. Blunt + R. Washington 1678

Sh 2-296. 7-5-1681 Hd Henry Briggs of Sours Par +
John Blunt, planter - Ton Oldenham Sew.
near Maen Bl. W - on N. S. of Plat where sd
Briggs now lives 1500 - sold ad Briggs
by Wm Denton late of Jas. City Co - who
died before ack + was confirmed by Pna Lord
who was R of sd Denton -
Wm Rose John Moring 9th 1st 1681.

D#2 - Rich Washington - Tho. Blunt recorded
297 Cattle mark X for - 23-1681

177.
Swamy
1713-30

The Blunt - to my Anne Edmunds dau of
Howell Edmunds to sister Anne Blunt
brother Rich. Blunt, all my land at Seacick
Swamps, - if without issue to my son Howell
Edmunds land at Whiteoak Swamps to my
son Ann Edmunds son of Howell, my Jane
Wood, all my right to land my father gave her father,
& mother - brother Rich. Ex. 2-9-1718
Howell Edmunds, John & Hencha Gileson
4-13-1719.

Swamy.
226.
1694-1709.

up River Jordan Est. 6-16-1701 by
John Barber & The Blunt

#5-4.
Swamy

Ind. Est of Thomas. Blunt - by Henry
Harrison, John Semmers, The Blunt
signed Priscilla Blunt - 4-5-1710
5-2-1710 -

Rich (R. T.) Thomas. of 1700. Planters
Rich. Blunt. land lately H of Jas. Briggs
Commonly known by the name of Ketchikan, by
Newport Bar. joining on land of Char Stephens
+ Geo. Stephens + the land lately purchased
by Col. Roscoe of Andrew Giles 110 A.
Eleanor his wife ~~Wynne~~ down.

DBS-279

176.
S.

1715-30

Tho. Blunt - Mary Anne Edmunds daughter of Howell
Sister Anne Blunt, brother Rich Blunt land at
Seacock Sea - a Whitewood Sea - new to Mary Anne Edmunds
Edmunds at Seacock - other to Mary Anne Edmunds.
brother Rich Blunt and sister Anne Blunt
Blunt - Mary Anne Blunt. till land Mary
father gave her father - mother - Bro. Arthur
2-9-1718 - 4-15-1719. O.S.

Howell Edmunds, John + Henscher Gilbert

Blunt

Thomas Blunt mar
the dau of Henry Bugg
1681

Surry Co.

B 2 - Small pg 58.

Tho. Blunt mar
Priscilla Brown the
dau of Wm Brown
1704

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Deel

Blunt.

I Thomas Blunt of Surry
to my ^{dearest} wife Elizabeth -
into my dau. Elizabeth -
into Howell Edmund & Elizabeth
his wife. 200 a. part of a part.
to Thomas B. 4-5-1701.

Bay Harison

Henry Harison.

170 1/2

B. 4 - 239
parts of Thomas.

Richard Blunt & Mary - rd
to the enter of Geo. Jordan.

Surry.

July 12 1730 let. Mary Knott widow of
Southwark in the Co. of Surry & Howell Edmund
of the Co of S of W. planter 10 £ - a tract
situate on the side of the River let. in 17
of W. - 100 a - rd T is pt of pt grt.
Tho. Blunt for 7 10 a dated Dec. 16. 1714
I as given to Mary Knott.

Robt Cannon

Wm Ridgord D of W. B 4 - 68

D # 2

64.

Severy
Small

Pat for 330a - got to Tho. Blunt + Rich
Washington 4-29-1682 - 1 Tho. B of up.
Par of Severy ~~to~~ absolutely assign to my brother
Rich. Wash of apd P & Co
w. Allen, Henny Tucker.

(1)

3

Tho. Blunt = Ann Gray Henny B talks 2 Tho.

12-12-1737.

S. Gray " of Ann

Thomas Blunt. Severy

To Howell Edmunds + Elizabeth
his wife, son Thomas Blunt.
son Richard Blunt, son Wm Blunt
son Henry Blunt, on Hottoway River
son Benjamin Blunt, to John
Thord + Mary his wife - to Howell
Edmunds + Joel Barker, wife
Priscilla.

B 4. - 1694-1709 9-25-1708

pg. 442 3 - 7-1709.

Priscilla Brown dau of Wm. Brown.

1658 Tho Blunt
widow. Mary. John Wash
Contact with
Bk I - pg 126.

2nd. Tho Blunt + Rich Wash
+ John Goring Gent of
the other ply all of Severy
250a being pat granted
in 1638 to Charles Ford
without will ded executed to
Mary Charles Ford II - Tho
Blunt + Richard Washington
1678.
Wm Edes } - Deed #2. 181
Ben Harrison }

Severy Co.

Blunt

Thos. Thropp aged 37 with his
man Mary ex. of Joseph Ford, did
amongst other papers belonging to
Ford find receipt for 1500 lbs of tobacco
under ye hand of Wm Boone late of this
co. died by a legacy given by John
Wood to Mary Boone now Mary
Blunt & used by sd Wm Boone for
the use of sd dau Mary.

1709

Wt D 22-497.

Rich. Blunt adm. of Wm Boone
& man Mary.

Blunt - Thomas

Presilla ~~Blunt~~ Thomas
son Wm
son Henry Blunt, son
Benjamin Blunt, son
Henry Thomas.
son Wm Ex.

Thomas-Edmunds.

Co. in Thomas. 1732

J. W. B. ~~1730~~ Apr. 18, 1733
Pg 283.

15-9th 1658

John Wackington &
Mary Hoerde mar. c
Thos. Blunt son of
Mary. Surry
Bk 1-126

Blunt

River Jordan of Surry Co
(d 1700) mar. Presilla, dau
of Wm Brown of 4 mi. T.
now Presilla Brown Jordan
mar. 2nd Thos. Blunt, 3rd
son Thomas.

V. P. 2274.

died 1706 m'
of County Troop.
163 - vestryman
see H. C. Hist &
pg 223
286

d 1686 - millbury
rem. Great Council.

en Co mem. Cong. Congress
brother of John
of Beaufort. m.
Wilmington. brother
& Gov. Wm B of

notes.

Blunt, Tho. = Ann Gray. S. H.
Henry B & S. Gray Jr. Dec 12, 1756.
Day, Daves = Pussella Blunt. Pg 3.
Oct 16, 1790. John Blunt = 8. Pg 67.
Turner, John = Pussella Blunt Pg 7.
2-11-1762. Pussella B. mother

Sol

Tho. Blunt - 1-8-1767 to Wm Thomas -
422 on S. side of Mt. Rev - by Pat 81. 1765-
Ben. Sewer, Rich Blaw. D B 3-438

2-

198.

Inv. Birth Figures - 2-12-1699/1700 by
The Clerk - Wm Hunt, Saml. Briggs

Servy.

Sequel Rolt + Hannah Owen.

Dear Blanche:

Duplicate

Don't know whether you got these deeds or not, but it may be that they will fit in with some dates you have. Bartholomew has no wife sign with him in 1746, but he may have ignored her. He may be found in Albemarle Parish, Sussex County, or may have gone straight to North Carolina when he sold his land here. If there could be a will in Sussex County it would help. Va.

Book 1694-1709, page 238.

Dated Sept. 23, 1701.

Thomas Blunt of Southwark Parish, Surry County, sells Thomas Figures son of Bartholomew Figures, 100 acres of land part of a patent for 486 acres granted Thomas Blunt, dated 25 April, 1701, the land lying on the South side of Main Blackwater Swamp and on the West side of y^e Machecohonock Branch.

Consideration - 400 pounds of tobo. "to me in hand paid - - - out of y^e Estate of Bartholomew Figures of y^e same parish and county aforesaid, lately deceased"

Witnesses Richard Ham and Howell Edmonds.

"

Then the will of Thomas Figures which you have.

"

Deed Book 4, page 394. February 19, 1745/46

Bartholomew Figures of Surry County, planter, sells Nicholas Judkins 150 acres land adj. Benj. Ellis, Samuel Maget et als.

Consideration - 12 £ current lawful money

Witnesses: Richard Blunt, James Chappell, Jun. and John Berryman. Acknowledged in Court by Bartholomew Figures and recorded.

"

Deed Book 4, page 395. Recorded March 17, 1746.

Bartholomew Figures of Surry County, sells Richard Blunt of the same County, the 100 acres of land taken in Thomas Blunt's patent for 486 acres, dated March 25, 1701 and "now in my possession", lying on the South side of Blackwater Swamp in the Parish of Albemarle and lying on Mackacomack branch." (excepting only 10 feet square where my father and brother was buried)".

Consideration - 35 £ current money of Virginia.

Witness - John Berryman, Robert Judkins, James Chappell, Jr.

"

Order Book 1744-49, page 118. Jany. 16, 1745/6

Bartholomew Figures claims witness attendance from Arthur Washington against Thomas Washington.

"

Deed Book 1738-54, page 533. Dated June 12, 1746.

Bartholomew Figures as one of appraisers of Estate of John Jeffers signs without a mark.

"

See nothing further from indexes.

William

nt
- Wm Blunt 9
- dau of 17.
- 12-12

Wm Blunt est. presented by Edw. Ctt
who mar. the eldest July 9. 1689. - buy of
small value + much indebted, so not worth
ye administration
W + D B 2

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Wm Blunt = Ann dau of Robt Nicholson
2-17-1756. Sursex Co. M. B.

Wm Blunt signed in Sursey Oct 6, 1676
submission of Bacon's followers.
W. + M. Vol 11 - 80.

Wm Blunt aged 60 yrs in Thera's present
incorporation will of Nicholas Ctt. 1686
W + D. B 2. 249

Blunt

Wm B. died & gift to
Sam Thomas

1815.

D. B. 22-B43

J of W

Wm. Blunt W. wid on North
will. 1684. W + D. B2-240.

Est of Wm. Blunt.
Errors excepted
7-17-1738 by Jas Perkins
& Eliza Perkins Edm.
and Tho. Gray. Jas Washington
878
Sworn 1730-38

t.
at John
to Char
- gift.
1783

- 255 -

its wife
olney.
512
w.

Wm Blunt
to Francis Perkins
29. 71 ad known by
the name Scott's
grist mill.

1775-

D. B. 13-299

1775

Blunt,
Wm B aged 60 in 1686
W + D B2-249

Wm B. invent. 1687
turned in by Edward
Cott who married his sister
W + D B2-269.

O B 1744-49

1748

492
Sum of
est of Wm Blunt
w by Guard - Robt Nicholas.

Sol 2. Wm Blunt = Mary Perren widow - 2-24 1756

Surrey O. B 1741-44

199. Jas. Cooksey & wife Eliza to 1743.
wom Blunt infant. decent

W. B 4

672.

Sally

Elizabeth Blunt, of S. Hampton - to Jane Frances Buzzi
Lucas all that land I purchased of Lewis Gugg in
the co. of Greenville, 30 a. - if without issue unto my
son Benz. wom Blunt next to dec. & B Lucas, if
without issue to my friend wom Lucas of Muckleburg,
& Rebecca Barnes wife to Hartwell Barnes to be equally div.
living husband Saml. Blunt. Ex 9-26-1794
Benz. Blunt, Geo. Blunt. Rec. 2-12-1795-

W. B 4 - 672

100.

Surrey

wom Blunt - inf. orphan of wom Blunt - Rich hebburn
guardian. dephanacet

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Surrey
orphaned

wom Blunt infant - D^r to Rich Blunt

10-17-1746. Ann Blunt Ex^x of Rich Blunt

S. 1730-38

669.

apert. wom Blunt - 3-16-1736 - by
John Andrews, Saml. Magel, wom Bussp
Eliza Blunt ch. 4-20-1737.

50. Jos Rooking & W. Eliza
 agt um Blunt wth son & heir of um Blunt.
 Rich. Blunt agt guardian.
 Sundry
 1744-49

P 631 um Blunt = Mary Ridley - 4-4-1782. Jof

66. um Blunt wth 1747 - wth by Rth Nicholas
 Sundry orphan acct

- 1 um Blunt
- 2 Richard mar. — Sundry
- 3 Richard, mar Mary Browne. land given in 1690
- 4 " P
5. 1) Richard 2. Thomas 3. John (gave them deeds of land in 1642 wth ann
1. Richard married to Edgecombe Co. h c. 1746 A B 7-373
- S.H. 2. Thomas, mar. (land put in 1714. ? was he son of Richard
- S.H. 1. Benjamin ^{d. 1750} - wife Priscilla ^{d. 1758}
1. um B. 2. Ann Turner 3. John, (4) Mary
5. Priscilla, 6. Elizabeth, 7 Sarah.
2. Henry Blunt d. 1758. wife Sarah
- (1. son Thomas d. 1777 - wife Ann
1. Henry - 2. Joseph Gray, 3 Thomas,
4. Edmund, 5. William, 6. James 7 Sarah
8. Elizabeth, 9 ann
2. Mary -
- 3 - mar. Henry Thomas
- 4 - " John Person Sr.
- 3.

The Estate of Wm Browne is
Dn to Rich. Blunt adm. + judgment
obtained
Judgments -

51 00

The Est of Wm B. - To Rich. Blunt
administrator for funeral charges
+ other disbursements.

To 4 gals of rum	375-
To digging ye grave	50
To Mr. Sharp for ye funeral service	400
To Th. received of Patrick Bradley for ye use of his dau Mary by deed gift from Margaret wood.	
To Th. received of Joseph Ford of a Mary Briggs as a legacy Ruth Browne dead sister of ye sd Mary Blunt.	
The legacy given by Josias wood to Mary Browne aka Blunt received by Wm B.	
To nursing his child T. app	13875-
	W + B 32 - 498

Richard Blunt

Ann Davis sworn ex. oath she
heard Patrick Braddy say she
had paid Wm Browne £200
was due Mary Browne his daughter
as ye gift of Margett Wood his
wife, further oath. yt she heard
Wm B say he had received 100
ye sd Patrick in right of his
sd daughter. etc. 1709.

The Thropps aged 57 in Hereford
— oath he married Mary ex.
of Joseph Ford, died among other
papers belonging to sd Ford found
a receipt for 1500 lbs of wool, under
ye hand of Wm. Browne late of
this County dead, being a legacy
given by Josiah Wood to Mary
Browne now Mary Blunt.

Nen. Baker Aug 1, 1709
Hath. Ridley. W & B 2 - 497

wom Blunt of 1 of w. - to my son John Blunt,
the plantation on Jac. Riv. whereon he now resides called
Poplar Hill - to my gr. son Henry L. Blunt, - to
my son Thomas 240 a which I lately purchased of
Andrew Woodley, ady. my manor plantation etc. - to
son Josiah the land & plant. whereon I now live lying
on the north side of Hackwater road etc - to my dau.
Betsey B. Blunt sum of \$1,000. + 1 Tract of land
containing 257 1/2 a lying on so. side of Hackwater rd. -
to Polly W. Crocker - to my dau. Sally P. Crocker,
to my dau. Kitturah Conner, - I lend to my
niece Elizabeth Moody one negro boy, after her death
I give sd boy to my dau. Betsey B. Blunt. - It is
my will my books should be collected together and be
equally divided bet. all my children by lots,
son John & my son Josiah B. ex. July 22, 1820.
Copied from original in poss of A. S. Barrett

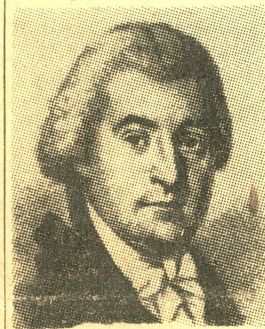
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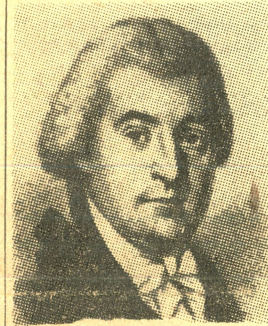
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